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See Attachment indicating that the 10-31-2005 response was not fully responsive to the previous office action.

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Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment

1. The reply filed on 10-31-2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

Although applicant has provided an election between the tire and method claims, there was no additional *species election* made (per part 4 of the previous office action; it is also emphasized that along with the election, a listing of claims readable on the elected species is required). It is additionally noted that the new product by process claims 16-21 are distinct from the elected method claims for the same reasons advanced with respect to the previously presented tire claims and therefore will be designated as non-elected claims with the election of the method claims.


See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Geoffrey L. Knable whose telephone number is 571-272-1220. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Richard Crispino can be reached on 571-272-1226. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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